I oppose loosening the rules designed to promote and protect diversity of media ownership. These rules were adopted to ensure that the public would receive a diverse range of viewpoints from the media, and not simply the opinions of a handful of media conglomerates. The cable ownership

cap is a crucial element of our democratic media, and it should not be weakened.

In the interests the consumer and an enlightened citizenry, I urge the Federal Communications Commission to maintain or strengthen both the cable ownership cap and the broadcast/newspaper cross-ownership rule.

Thank you for your consideration of these points on this important issue.

Sincerely, James Burks